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by the skin of teeth (redirected from *escape by the skin of teeth*)

by the skin of (one's) teeth

Barely. Often used to describe something that almost didn't happen. *Oh man, my car wouldn't start this morning—I just made it here by the skin of my teeth!*

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by the skin of one's teeth

Fig. just barely. (By an amount equal to the thickness of the (imaginary) skin on one's teeth.) I got through calculus class by the skin of my teeth. I got to the airport a few minutes late and missed the plane by the skin of my teeth. Lloyd escaped from the burning building by the skin of his teeth.

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by the skin of (one's) teeth

By the smallest margin.

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